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1. According to a local resident, a radio installation, consisting of a radar set, two radio trucks, an antenna suspended from two poles 10 meters high, a search-light, and several earth bunkers, was located on a hill south of Phoebe (N 53/ Z 43). Passenger car also belonged to the installation. (1) Food was hauled to the installation from the Tardor airfield in truck 25X1A
 Ten to fifteen Soviet officers arrived at the field three times a week at nightfall in truck and were picked up again on the following day. Since the hill was heavily wooded, only two horizontal bars fitted with short rods and two rectangular frames could be seen. (2)
2. At the eastern edge of the landing field, near kilometer marker 1.6, were four poles about 10 meters high. The poles were arranged in an irregular quadrangle and were braced at the top and in the middle by four wires each. A truck with a box-like body was parked nearby. Cables led from the poles to the truck. (2) The highway from Phoebe to Tardor was blocked to civilian traffic near kilometer marker 1.4. Civilian traffic had to detour to the south.
3. The troop strength at the airfield barracks and the restricted area was estimated at 2,000 men. (4)
4. No aircraft were seen at the airfield. The doors of the hangars were closed. (5) high-wing monoplane took off about 1:30 p.m. and headed west. (5) 25X1A
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Comments.

- (1) The radio installation is reported for the first time.
 it is believed that the installation is operated by the Hq Twenty-Fourth Air Army.
- (2) It appears to be a radar set of the same type as that observed with fighter division and fighter corps headquarters.
- (3) The purpose of the radio installation could not be determined. Since the four antenna poles were arranged in an irregular quadrangle it appears that the installation was not a DF station.
- (4) The Hq Twenty-Fourth Air Army is located in the restricted area.
- (5) The field is not occupied by an air unit, but is used only by courier aircraft of the Hq Twenty-Fourth Air Army.

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